

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL "TELEPHONIC" BOARD MEETING  
OF THE STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD  
2:00 P.M., TUESDAY, APRIL 1, 2003  
Arizona Department of Transportation  
State Engineer's Office  
206 South 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona**

Pursuant to ARS 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the State Transportation Board and to the general public that the State Transportation Board will hold a special "telephonic" Board Meeting, open to the public at 2:00 p.m., on Tuesday, April 1, 2003, at the Arizona Department of Transportation, in the State Engineer's Office, located at 206 South 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona. The Board may vote to go into Executive Session, which will not be open to the public, to discuss certain matters.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03 (A)(3), notice is hereby given to the members of the Arizona State Transportation Board and to the general public that the Board may meet in Executive Session for discussion or consultation for legal advice with legal counsel at its meeting on April 1, 2003, relating to any items on the agenda. The Board may, at its discretion, recess and reconvene the Executive Session as needed, relating to any items on the agenda.

**The agenda consists of the following for Discussion & Action:**

**CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS** (Action As Noted)

Interstate, Non-Federal Aid

\*ITEM 1:      BIDS OPENED:            January 31  
                 HIGHWAY:                TUCSON-BENSON HIGHWAY (I-10)  
                 SECTION:              Cornfield Canyon Bridge, WB (Str. #73)  
                 COUNTY:                Cochise  
                 ROUTE NO:                I-10  
                 PROJECT:                I-010-E-502 010 CH 299 H599301C  
                 FUNDING:                100% State  
                 LOW BIDDER:            SPE Systems, Inc.  
                 AMOUNT:                            62,841.24  
                 SECOND LOW BIDDER:    Bison Contracting Co., Inc.  
                 AMOUNT:                            \$            64,554.50  
                 STATE ESTIMATE:        \$            67,607.30  
                 \$ UNDER: (second low)                            \$    2,512.80  
                 % UNDER:(second low)                            3.7%  
                 NO. BIDDERS:                            14  
                 RECOMMENDATION:    AWARD TO SECOND LOW BIDDER

COMMENTS:            The project was awarded to SPE Systems, Inc. on February 21, 2003. SPE Systems failed to submit insurance from a company

holding a Certificate of Authority to transact Insurance business in the state of Arizona as required by Subsection 107.14 of the Standard Specifications. The contractor submitted surplus lines insurance which does not meet the specifications. Subsection 107.14 requires the proper submittal of insurance prior to the execution of the contract. If the contractor fails to submit the required Insurance, the Department will not execute the contract.

Therefore, the State Engineer recommends award of the contract to the Second Low Bidder, Bison Contracting Co., Inc.

**AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT**

Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation such as a sign language interpreter, by contacting Noreen Grasse at 602-712-7550. Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation.

**Dated this 31st day of March, 2003.**

**STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

**By: Noreen Grasse  
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